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'Out of character'

TRURO

Police asking public for info to help locate missing officer



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

Halifax police say the disappearance of Truro police officer Catherine Campbell is still a missing-persons case.

"We are hoping the public or Catherine Campbell does come forward to police," said spokeswoman Const. Stacey Opalka on Tuesday afternoon.

"It is concerning because it is out of character for Ms. Campbell — however, we are still investigating and would hope that people would continue with information that they may have," she said.



Catherine Campbell
CONTRIBUTED

Campbell's father said Tuesday it was a surprise when he got a call Monday morning saying that his daughter hadn't shown up for work.

"She'd never do that without telling her mother or I. She's not that type. She takes everything too seriously," said Dwight Campbell, who was in Halifax on Tuesday talking with police as they continued to look through his daughter's apartment for clues as to where she may be.

He said police had a picture of her going into her apartment complex Thursday after her shift work and, on Friday afternoon, his sister-in-law talked to her.

"That's the last anyone heard from her," he said.

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Dreaming of a family dinner

SYRIAN CRISIS

Refugee hopes to one day reunite with his kids, parents

Youssef Aasar says he dreams of his family being reunited one day around the small dining table in his Halifax apartment, coming together after their flight from violence and corruption in Syria.

"All I really search for (is) a place in this world to meet my kids, to be safe, to live together, to eat together, to be in one house," the 43-year-old said during an interview at his two-room home.

Youssef arrived in Nova Scotia this spring, bringing his 39-year-old wife Alya, 13-year-old daughter Danah and four-year-old son Yaqub from Kuwait, where the Syrian man has lived since the 1990s.

His son Gazy, 18, and daughter Shashad, 22, from a previous marriage, and his parents Issa and Souad Aasar remain in Lebanon, after he paid for them to move from war-torn Homs in 2012.

Youssef's story differs from the stories of refugees trying to escape through Turkey and Greece. It started more than a decade ago with an encounter with a Syrian embassy official in Kuwait City and worrying visits by the Syrian security police to his parents' home.

He says he moved from his hometown of Homs in his 20s to work in a Kuwaiti agency that assisted migrants applying for work permits.

In the late 1990s, he says, a Syrian embassy official falsely accused him of illegally taking a man's documents.

When Youssef lost his own passport, the same official accused him of selling it and Youssef accused the man of asking for a bribe before providing fresh documents.

Later, Youssef says his father told him the police had started visiting his parents' and their neighbour's homes demanding information.

Being on the security forces' radar over the false accusation regarding his passport made returning home dangerous, he says.

"How would I know what would happen? I have to be afraid," he said. "They put you in jail and how can I prove I am innocent?"

Youssef remained in Kuwait, finding his separation from his older children and parents increasingly painful.

"They say to me, 'Do you miss us?' and I told them there is no single day in my life I don't think of them before I go to sleep at night," he said.

While in Kuwait, he frequently passed the Canadian embassy and started to dream of visiting Canada.

As the Syrian civil war spread in 2011, he came to Canada with Alya, who was pregnant at the time. Their son Yaqub was born and became a Canadian citizen.

Youssef returned to Kuwait and discovered about a year later the little boy had severe autism and suffers seizures. He says he struggled to both work and care for Yaqub in the years that followed, and his finances were soon drained. Meanwhile, he said, Kuwait has indicated it will not renew his work visa.

Danah, his 13-year-old daughter, hopes Canadians will welcome her.

"I feel I don't belong anywhere ... I hope for a better life and somewhere I belong," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Youssef Aasar, his wife Alya and his son Yaqub, stand in the dining area of their apartment in Halifax. Aasar's 13-year-old daughter, Danah, says she hopes for a better life in Canada — a place to belong. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

> **They say to me, 'Do you miss us?' and I told them there is no single day in my life I don't think of them before I go to sleep.**
>
> Youssef Aasar on his adult children and parents

APPLICATION

Youssef Aasar was scheduled to make his formal refugee application to Citizenship and Immigration Canada on Tuesday, which will determine if he can proceed to the next stage of the process.

LEGAL ADVICE

Clinic offering counsel to families upon arrival

Julie Chamagne, director of the Halifax refugee clinic, says her centre will provide free legal advice to the family as they attempt to settle in the province.

"Refugee situations are complex and there's not one kind of refugee. You can see by Youssef's history that some people find one moment they are very wealthy and the next moment they're not. One moment they have status somewhere and the next they don't," she said.

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DALHOUSIE

Case of student accused of making death threats delayed

The case of a Dalhousie University medical student who allegedly told a psychiatrist he would kill up to 20 people and himself has been put over until next month.

Stephen Gregory Tynes was released on bail last month after he was charged with two counts of uttering threats to cause death or bodily harm and one count of engaging in threatening conduct.

The 30-year-old student was also charged with unauthorized possession of a prohibited device in relation to an overcapacity cartridge magazine.

Tynes did not appear in court today and the case was set over until Oct. 8 so the defence has more time to review the disclosure.

Search warrant documents filed with the court allege that Tynes told a psychiatrist he would stab Evelyn Sutton, Dalhousie's associate dean of undergraduate medical education, and her daughter who was also his classmate.

In the documents, police say they seized 1,834 rounds of ammunition, rifles and gun accessories from a Halifax apartment.

None of the allegations has been proven in court. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Stephen Gregory Tynes FACEBOOK

BAYERS LAKE

Tim Hortons robbed at knifepoint: Police

Two female individuals armed with a knife robbed a Tim Hortons in the Halifax area on Tuesday morning.

Just before 3:30 a.m., Halifax Regional Police say the two entered the restaurant on Lakeland Boulevard in Bayers Lake, showed a knife to two staff members on duty, and demanded money.

They were given some cash, and it's believed they fled the area in a vehicle. METRO

DESCRIPTIONS

Police say both robbers were wearing bandanas — one pink and the other black — over their faces during the robbery.

IN BRIEF

Driver ticketed after pedestrian struck in Sackville crosswalk

A 60-year-old man has been ticketed after his car hit a pedestrian in a crosswalk in Lower Sackville Tuesday morning.

At about 8 a.m., an 18-year-old man was crossing at the intersection of Beaver Bank Road and Glendale Drive in a crosswalk when a car turned left onto Beaver Bank Road and hit him.

Paramedics on the scene treated the pedestrian for minor injuries.

The driver was handed a ticket for failing to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk, which carries a fine of almost $700, and four points off his licence. METRO

Men charged after search turns up drugs, crossbow

Police in Colchester County have laid a number of drug, weapon and theft charges against three men last week.

Last Friday, conservation officers executed a search warrant in Lanesville as part of an investigation into the illegal harvesting and sale of Crown timber.

When they got there, they found marijuana plants and unsecured firearms, and arrested three men and called in the RCMP. The next day, they found 100 tablets of what they think is methamphetamine, about 30 marijuana plants, 550 cartons of unmarked cigarettes, five long guns, a cross bow, ammunition, a stolen trailer and a stolen John Deere side-by-side. METRO



Melissa Gurtin is concerned there have been no charges laid in connection with an alleged child-luring incident at a Bromley Road playground in Cowie Hill. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Girl 'terrified' after man approached kids

SAFETY

Mom expresses frustration police can't do more



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

A Cowie Hill mother says she's disappointed more can't be done after a man approaching children in the area left her daughter afraid to play outside.

The 21-year-old man arrested over the weekend by Halifax Regional Police when parents reported suspicious behaviour has been charged with causing a disturbance when he urinated in public. Melissa Gurtin said that charge is not enough.

Gurtin said that on Saturday evening, multiple children ran home from the Bromley Road playground to say a man was asking them to come home with him and reaching out to hug them, including her eight-year-old daughter Jayla.

"When you try to get a kid to come with you that you do not know, that's attempted kidnapping in my eyes," Gurtin said.

Gurtin said the children hid "for their life" at a friend's house while the man waited outside.

Gurtin said the police told her there's no law against asking a child to come with you or to hug them, and no further charges could be laid because the man didn't actually grab a child or put one in a car.

> **"I don't know where to turn.**
> Melissa Gurtin

The police told her luring charges are usually related to the Internet, Gurtin said, and the case has left her feeling the laws "should be changed."

"A child has to actually get hurt? How stupid would they feel if next week he does hurt somebody?" Gurtin said.

Gurtin said the man has been released on conditions including staying away from schools and the four Cowie Hill streets near the playground. She said that isn't much punishment as he is a Dalhousie University student who lives downtown.

Halifax Regional Police spokeswoman Const. Stacey Opalka said Tuesday the police investigation was based on thoroughly examining facts and multiple interviews.

"I know it can be frustrating to people but ... that particular charge of causing a disturbance is what was there," she said.

Now many kids in the neighbourhood, including Jayla, don't want to go near the playground or walk to school, Gurtin said.

"She walks with her older brothers but she's still terrified, and she's been waking up in the middle of the night having bad dreams," Gurtin said.

"It's a really unfortunate situation, and these kids shouldn't have to live like this."

LAWRENCETOWN

Police investigate attempted child abduction

The RCMP are investigating an attempted child abduction at a bus stop in Lawrencetown.

At about 7:45 a.m. Tuesday, Halifax RCMP arrived at Atlantic View Elementary School in response to an incident that had occurred around 7 a.m. at a bus stop near Maple Drive and Highway 207.

RCMP report that a 10-year-old boy was waiting at the bus stop when a black pickup truck driving east went past and stopped at the community centre.

A man got into the passenger side of the truck, which police said then drove to the Lawrencetown Grocery Store directly across from the bus stop.

The passenger, a white man believed to be in his 20s, got out of the truck and waved at the boy to come over, but the boy pretended to ignore the man.

The driver of the truck, a man police also believe to be in his 20s, stepped out of the vehicle and yelled, "Come over here and get in my truck."

The boy ran to a nearby relative's home, and then home to tell his father what had happened.

Father and student then went to the school to report the incident to the principal. METRO

VEHICLE

The suspect's truck is described as a 2003-era black Chevrolet pickup truck with a red pinstripe running down the side. It has a red fuel door, five amber marking lights on the roof, and a broken tailgate handle.

Cabbie seeking inclusive prayer room near airport

RELIGION

Use of Stanfield worship centre 'doesn't make sense': Driver

Heide Pearson
For Metro | Halifax

Out behind the small building at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport limousine and taxi stand there are four wooden planks leaning against the side of a small building.

Adam Ghazoul, a Muslim man, takes one down, lays it on the crushed stone, and kneels to pray.

"A lot of drivers work in the airport and I have seen it for years, they have been using this to pray," said Ghazoul.

Ghazoul has been a taxi driver in Halifax since 2005, and spends a lot of time at the airport limousine and taxi stand.

Drivers wait at the stand anywhere between a half hour to several hours some days, their cars in a large queue waiting for a call.

One thing Ghazoul thinks is missing is a quiet place to pray. The makeshift area behind the building could see 25 people a day, maybe more, Ghazoul says.

"I think they have a right to just have an indoor place (at the taxi stand) to use as a prayer room for everyone, not just for, you know, Muslims," said Ghazoul. "There's other people that may use it, too."

The airport does have a worship centre inside the terminal that is open to people of all denominations.

"Everyone is welcome to come use our non-denominational worship centre here in the terminal, it's open 24/7 and it's a quiet place for prayer with prayer mats available," said Ashley Gallant of the Halifax International Airport Authority.

"We've made arrangements with the taxi drivers for parking as well, so they can come park at the terminal while they come in to use the worship centre," Gallant added.

Ghazoul said using the worship centre "doesn't make sense," saying taxi drivers would have to either leave their cars unattended in the line, or take themselves out of the line to drive to the airport for prayer.

Since major construction is already going on right beside the taxi stand, Ghazoul wonders why a prayer room can't be a priority.

"A lot of people have faith and beliefs and they pray, like we (Muslims) pray five times a day, it doesn't take that long, like five minutes," said Ghazoul. "If they have the money to fix roads, make new gas stations, they can have the money to build a small room for these people."



Adam Ghazoul prays using some wooden planks behind the taxi terminal at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport. JEFF HARPER/METRO

> **There was some discussion that looked at the possibility of a quiet room being built over there, something for everyone of all denominations to use, but that wasn't something that they were looking for.**
> Ashley Gallant, Halifax International Airport Authority

BACKGROUND

Taxi drivers use the small building at the Halifax airport to sit and eat, play cards, relax and watch television. There's also a small kitchen and bathrooms.

SHELBURNE

Senior wounded as dog attacks

A 77-year-old man received about 15 stitches to close his wounds after a dog attacked him last week.

Clyde Bartlett was walking his small dog in the area between Clements Street and Morvan Road in Shelburne when a boxer escaped from its owner's home and pinned down the Pomeranian.

Bartlett tried to pry off the attacking dog.

"I thought for sure it was going to kill him," said Bartlett.

As the man attempted to separate the dogs, the boxer turned and bit Bartlett on his hand.

Bleeding profusely, Bartlett walked home, almost passing out and called paramedics.

Bartlett received treatment for his wounds, but he worries the dog may attack someone else again.

He said this is the second time he has filed an incident report with the town about the dog being violent.

Shelburne CAO Dylan Heide said the town has issued a letter to the dog owner, stating that the owner must keep control of the animal or else the town will impound the dog. TC MEDIA



The town does not have a control officer or the facilities to impound an animal for attacking humans. TC MEDIA



HEALTH

New Type 2 diabetes meds funded by the province

Heide Pearson
For Metro | Halifax

A new medication will be available for people in Halifax who live with Type 2 Diabetes.

Invokana, a new type of diabetes treatment, was recently approved by the province to be funded under Medicare.

Dr. Debbie Knight, an internal medical specialist from Dartmouth, said it is a huge milestone for some of the 98,000 patients in Nova Scotia, including some of her own.

It gives them a sense of independence that doesn't come from other treatments, she explained.

"Diabetes is extremely frustrating to begin with because it's a progressive problem," said Knight. "The patients in whom we've used it have had a very good response."

The treatment works to inhibit the uptake of glucose by the kidneys, and instead removes it through urine, lowering patients' blood sugar, she said.

Along with lowering blood sugar, it also helps patients with weight loss and reduces blood pressure — two stresses diabetes patients often have to manage in addition to their disease.

The new drug is only available for patients who fall within a certain criteria and requires special authorization.

For example, those who already have good management of their diet and exercise, and are on Metformin and Sulfonylureas, but still have issues managing their blood sugar.

Knight also said that, like any drug, Invokana comes with side effects, and some patients with other health issues may not be suited for the treatment.

Interested patients are encouraged to consult with their doctors.

> **A drug that can address all those problems is always nice to have.**
> Dr. Debbie Knight

> **Diabetes is extremely frustrating to begin with because it's a progressive problem.**
> Dr. Debbie Knight

98,000

Invokana, which will be funded under Medicare, is considered a milestone for some of the 98,000 patients in Nova Scotia who currently suffer from the condition.





Chris Shaw, owner of Binnacle Yachting Equipment, says his company stands to lose at least $20,000 if the Halifax International Boat Show — an event held at the venue — is cancelled due to the building's imminent shuttering. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Clock ticking for Exhibition Park

INDUSTRY

Closure looms as government mulls bid to save facility



Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Halifax

Time is ticking for industry groups waiting on Nova Scotia to decide whether to ink a sale with a private bidder to save the soon-to-be-shuttered Exhibition Park.

Representatives from the hotel, tourism and exposition management industry held a news conference on Tuesday, stressing the need for the province to act on a proposal to purchase, renovate and market the aged facility, slated for closure in November.

David Organ, chairman of the Exposition Managers Society of Nova Scotia, announced that a developer has put forth an offer to maintain the building for a minimum of eight years.

Afterward, the society's executive director said the offer would involve the 110,000-square-foot facility being purchased at market value with a commitment to complete up to $1 million worth of immediate upgrades and create a long-term plan for other renovations.

"If the exhibition industry is to function in the spring then we have a very tight time constraint to see this deal done," Jim Gourlay said Tuesday.

If that window of time is missed, numerous events would be called off, representatives said.

Chris Shaw, owner of The Binnacle Yachting Equipment and Accessories Ltd., said his business would lose at least $20,000 if the Halifax International Boat Show were cancelled.

Industry reps are also confident that switching the facility from government to private hands would bring the energy needed to boost the current $12-million exposition industry to rake in $20 million over the next decade.

Gourlay blamed Trade Centre Ltd. for its poor administration, maintenance and marketing of the facility up until now.

"This (facility) has been run lethargically and it's a pretty much break-even proposition with an industry half the size it should be."

The industry sounded the alarm in July when the province declared the facility surplus after a building assessment revealed it required $9 million in renovations.

EVALUATION

A spokesperson from the Nova Scotia Department of Business said on Tuesday that the province is currently evaluating two bids from private investors.

TOURISM

Digby Pines, Liscombe Lodge listings draw 'some interest'

One deadline has passed without a buyer for the Digby Pines Resort, which the province hopes to sell by the end of the year.

In June, the government announced it hoped to strike a deal by late August, but the official word now is only "there has been some interest."

The government signed a 10-week contract with a broker to help sell both the Digby Pines and Liscombe Lodge on the Eastern Shore.

"Our interest is to settle it this year. The current season at the Pines is winding down," said Bob Book of the Nova Scotia Tourism Agency.

He said any proposals are currently under review.

Book also added that the real estate firm it has contracted to help sell the resorts remains available for any final negotiations and closing of a sale.

Digby mayor Ben Cleveland anticipates to hear news of a sale by October. TC MEDIA

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Great Expectations for Neptune

THEATRE

Theatricality in Dickens suits the stage



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax



The cast of Neptune Theatre's adaptation of the beloved novel runs through a scene on Tuesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

The novel he adapted it from may have been written in 1860, but the director of Neptune's latest play says Great Expectations still resonates with audiences in 2015.

"It's a coming-of-age story, and even though it's set in a long time from nowadays' teenagers, I think the issues are the same," said Neptune Theatre artistic director George Pothitos Tuesday after a media preview of the production.

"Kids want to be somebody else ... this one wants to be a gentleman, he wants to be rich. Today, they want to be stars ... it's no different."

Pothitos brought to life the Charles Dickens novel about a poor orphan with upper-class aspirations, adapting it for the stage to open Neptune's 53rd season.

"Its about a poor orphan boy who wants to be a gentleman, and in the process loses himself, but then through loss, finds his humanity," he said.

Distilling 470 pages of classic literature — or about 18 hours of reading — into a play that people can sit through is no easy task, but Pothitos called it a joy.

"My attempt was to keep the spirit and the clarity of the story," he said, adding that there were subplots and "stories within stories" that had to be cut.

Actress Jackie Torrens, who plays the main character Pip's mother figure Biddy, said she sees Dickens' novels as perfect for the stage.

"You're trying to make a novel come to life, but the great thing about Dickens is that he was an actor himself," she said, adding that Dickens used to hold theatrical readings of his novels.

And she said it doesn't hurt that this novel in particular is exciting right from the beginning.

"You get on this horse and you take off running," she said.

And the cast feels that excitement, too.

Marty Burt — as Joe Gargery, who, along with Biddy, helps raise Pip — said the time leading up to the show's opening has been "a hell of a lot of fun."

"Everyone really likes each other and everyone's very impressed by each other's work and everyone suits the characters that they're playing really well," he said.

For Pothitos, that's the best thing he could hope for.

"It's just like baking a cake: Every ingredient has to get along with the other ones," he said.

The show opens officially Friday night, and runs till Oct. 4.

> **It's actually been kind of a dream gig so far.**
> Actor Marty Burt

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MUSIC AWARDS

Rich Aucoin, In-Flight Safety lead nominations

Halifax musicians are leading the pack in nominations for the Music Nova Scotia Awards, with In-Flight Safety and Rich Aucoin both coming out on top with six.

The nominees were announced Tuesday morning, and the awards will be presented during Nova Scotia Music Week (NSMW) from Nov. 5 to 8 in Yarmouth.

Rockers In-Flight Safety are up for group recording, alternative recording, and recording of the year for their album Conversationalist, as well as digital artist of the year, SOCAN songwriter of the year, and video of the year for Animals.

Rich Aucoin of Halifax is also up for solo recording and recording of the year for his album Ephemeral, Web.com entertainer of the year, electronic and digital artist of the year, plus video of the year for Yelling In Sleep.

Christina Martin and Jenn Grant, both of Halifax, earned five nods including solo recording and entertainer of the year for both artists. Grant's other band, Aqua Alta, also earned two nods.

Other Halifax artists — Alana Yorke, Gabrielle Papillon and Gypsophilia — have four nominations each. Dartmouth's Mo Kenney also has four.



Rich Aucoin HANDOUT

NSMW will feature 100 artists from throughout the province playing in six Yarmouth venues, including the Supershow on Nov. 8 at the Mariners Centre.

Headliners and a complete schedule will be announced on Sept. 22.

Tickets for NSMW go on sale Sept. 25 at nsmw.ca or in person at the Rodd Grand Hotel Yarmouth.

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IN BRIEF

Residents have their say on community master plan

Residents in Halifax will have a chance to have their say about the city's community facility master plan.

The plan, which has been in the works since 2008, will provide recommendations to the city in regards to facility development and protocol for budgets and project developments.

The first session will be held at the Eastern Shore Centre in Musquodoboit Harbour on Wednesday, Sept. 16 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Residents can also take part in an online survey at halifax/ca/facilities/CFMP.

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Fire displaces family

A family of four escaped unhurt but was displaced by a fire Monday evening that damaged their apartment on the upper level of a two-storey house in New Glasgow.

Disaster volunteers with the Canadian Red Cross arranged emergency lodging, food, clothing purchases and other support for a couple and their two adult sons. The fire, at 55 North Provost St., was reported around 7 p.m.

TRANSCONTINENTAL MEDIA



CHIC CAMPAIGN GETTING IN STEP Halifax Regional Police officers joined other participants in the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event on Spring Garden Road Tuesday. The annual event, put on by the YWCA Halifax, is to raise money and awareness for an end to violence against women and girls. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Liberals building momentum in N.S.

POLL

Justin Trudeau maintains lead at expense of Conservatives



Zane Woodford
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Corporate Research Associates shows the province favours the Grits at about 45 per cent. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

A new federal election poll released Tuesday shows the Liberals gaining momentum in Nova Scotia at the expense of the Conservatives.

The poll — conducted from August to early September by Halifax-based Corporate Research Associates — shows the Liberals up to 45 per cent on the question of federal voting intentions if the election were held today.

That's up four percentage points from May, when 41 per cent of respondents said they would vote for Justin Trudeau's Liberals.

The Conservatives were at 23 per cent in May, and now find themselves down to 18 per cent.

The New Democrats saw no change from May to August, holding steady at 32 per cent, while the Green party gained one percentage point, to four per cent.

The story is different across the Atlantic Provinces, though, with both the Liberals and Conservatives falling a few percentage points, and the NDP gaining four percentage points to 33 per cent.

The Liberals, however, maintain the lead in the Atlantic Provinces with 40 per cent of those polled saying they would vote for them.

METHODOLOGY

Corporate Research Associates polled 1,521 people over the age of 18 between Aug. 10 and Sept. 2, with results accurate within two and a half percentage points, 95 times out of 100.

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Pop sales going flat in N.S. community

BADDECK

Pharmacy continues to prohibit sale of sugary drinks

A decision to remove sugary drinks from a pharmacy has influenced the pop purchasing of an entire village.

That is the finding of a study into Graham MacKenzie's decision to ban sugary drinks from Stone's Pharmacy in Baddeck.

MacKenzie made the decision in September 2014, and it caught the eye of scientists at the Propel Centre for Population Health Impact, who then studied its effects on overall soda sales in Baddeck over a number of months.

"We thought, well, even if people didn't shift their buying, that would be a big enough story," MacKenzie said.



The store was selling six per cent of all soda sold in the village prior to the ban. GETTY IMAGES

"When it turned out it was a two to three times drop ... that just blew me away."

Before the decision to remove all sugary drinks, including pop, from his shelves, MacKenzie said the pharmacy was selling six per cent of all pop in the village.

The study, which obtained statistics from the Needs convenience store and the Co-op grocery store, found an overall drop in pop purchasing for the entire village.

MacKenzie was pleased to see that result because his campaign wasn't just about getting rid of sugary drinks.

> **People got the message in town here.**
> Graham MacKenzie

Instead, it was to start conversations around the amount of sugar the drinks contain and the potential for negative health effects.

Though pop has been removed from his shelves, MacKenzie has yet to see any adverse effects on sales at his pharmacy.

"I said way back that nobody is really retiring on selling pop anyway," he said.

Next up, he'll be monitoring a "whittled down" candybar section at the front of the pharmacy.

CAPE BRETON POST

14 WING GREENWOOD

Future of crashed Aurora up in the air

Military personnel are still trying to determine if an Aurora that slid off the runway at CFB Greenwood last month will fly again.

"14 Wing technicians are looking at the damaged Aurora, preparing to run a series of tests and examinations to see what has to be fixed. Of particular concern is the broken landing gear and attachments, a damaged propeller and the aircraft's overall frame," said Capt. John Pulchny, a public-affairs officer, in an email.

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Three of the 17 people on board were treated for minor injuries. All of the crew members have since received the OK to return.

A Directorate Flight Safety (DFS) team from Ottawa wrapped up its ground investigation, but the cause of the aborted takeoff Aug. 27 remains under review.

"The Aurora sat in place at the edge of the runway for a week during the checks, and DFS released it to be moved Sept. 4," said Pulchny.

"A contracted crane was brought in to lift the plane's nose up, and its landing gear was maneuvered into position so the plane could be towed into one of our hangars."

TC MEDIA

IN BRIEF

Conservative candidate opts out of health debate

Federal candidates are set to debate health care this Saturday in the riding of South Shore-St. Margarets — at least some of them.

Three of the riding's four candidates plan to participate in the debate, but Conservative candidate Richard Clark declined the invitation last week.

TC MEDIA



ELECTION 2015

May a twitter over debate exclusion

Elizabeth May is not letting the lack of an invitation keep her out of Thursday's election debate on the economy.

The Green party leader plans to muscle her way into the conversation — at least online — with the help of Twitter.

The party is teaming up with the social-media company to swiftly film and tweet May's video responses to statements by the three invited leaders.

The Globe and Mail newspaper has asked Conservative Leader Stephen Harper, NDP Leader Tom Mulcair and Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau to discuss economic issues Thursday evening at Calgary's Stampede Park.

May and her team will be hunkered down in a Victoria church with Twitter's Steve Ladurantaye, creating a steady stream of video remarks, retorts and reality checks.

The exclusion led Twitter's Ladurantaye — a former Globe and Mail reporter, as it happens — to suggest a parallel digital debate, an approach he took in Britain last March with the Scottish National Party.

"You don't need to wait to be invited to something anymore. If you want to be part of it, you can be part of it," Ladurantaye said.

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> **You don't need to wait to be invited to something anymore.**
> Steve Ladurantaye

AMBER ALERT

Suspect held, but child still missing

RCMP in southern Alberta say they have arrested a suspect in the killing of a father and the abduction of his two-year-old daughter, but they still don't know where the toddler is.

Supt. Tony Hamori wouldn't name the 22-year-old man who was arrested in Blairmore on Tuesday because no charges have been laid.

The search was still on for Hailey Dunbar-Blanchette, who officers believe was taken from her Crowsnest Pass home in a white van early Monday morning. Her 27-year-old father, Terry Blanchette, was found dead in the home, and police believe his death was a homicide.

"To my knowledge, that person has been arrested in association (with) both the homicide and the disappearance of Hailey," Hamori said at a news conference. He said the suspect is a resident of the town, 220 kilometres southwest of Calgary near the boundary between Alberta and British Columbia.

RCMP say they have found a van that could be associated with the investigation but have not called off the search for the suspect vehicle.

Blanchette, who worked as a cook in a restaurant and was described as a doting father by friends and his boss, had many criminal convictions between 2010 and 2012.

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IN BRIEF

Court dismisses Tories' appeal regarding niqabs at citizenship ceremonies

The courts handed the Harper government another policy rebuke Tuesday when the Federal Court of Appeal quashed its attempts to ban face coverings at citizenship ceremonies.

But the Conservative campaign vowed to fight back, saying uncovered faces at such ceremonies were "consistent with Canadian values of openness, social cohesion and equality."

The latest chapter in the Conservatives' battle with the courts unfolded Tuesday when the Federal Court of Appeal dismissed the government's appeal of an earlier Federal Court ruling that said banning face coverings at such ceremonies was unlawful.

On Tuesday, the three justices ruled from the bench, saying they wanted to proceed quickly so that Zunera Ishaq, the woman who initially challenged the ban, can obtain citizenship in time to vote in the Oct. 19 federal election.

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Harper riding high on surprise surplus

ELECTION 2015

But campaign stumbles over another Tory behaving badly



Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau tours a pipe-fitting training facility during a campaign stop in Waterloo, Ont., Tuesday. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Stephen Harper was hanging 10 on the crest of a surprise budget surplus Tuesday, showing off his fiscal bona fides as the federal election campaign prepared to convene in Calgary to debate the state of the Canadian economy.

But it wasn't all smooth surfing for the Conservatives: yet another would-be Tory MP took a tumble over inappropriate comments on social media.

Newfoundland and Labrador candidate Blair Dale was dropped over Facebook comments that were "incompatible with our party," said a spokesman.

Dale is the sixth Conservative to be shown the door since the campaign began Aug. 2.

Harper had a little spring in his step in Vancouver as he boasted about Finance Department numbers that show a $1.9-billion surplus in 2014-15 where once there was a predicted $2-billion shortfall.

Back on one of his favourite talking points, the prime minister mocked the fiscal-management chops of both Rachel Notley, Alberta's new NDP premier, and Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau.

Trudeau has criticized the surplus as the product of failing to spend adequately on vulnerable Canadians — an accusation the Conservatives deny.

The surplus was achieved in part by departments underspending their budgets by $8.7 billion — a tactic known as lapsed funding and one deplored by critics as spending cuts by stealth. The Conservatives had budgeted for $7.2 billion in lapsed funding but wound up with $1.5 billion more than anticipated.

Trudeau was in a contested southwestern Ontario riding Tuesday to promise $750 million for skilled-trades funding.

"You've seen your personal debt rising as your job prospects sink. You want to seek out better opportunities but you can't access the training you need," Trudeau told supporters and apprentices at a local plumber and pipefitter's union.

"Stephen Harper doesn't know what that's like. When he was first elected, Windows 95 was still two years away … (and) the cutting-edge way to apply for a job was to send in your resumé by fax."

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WHERE THE LEADERS ARE WEDNESDAY



- **Stephen Harper** has no public events.
- **Justin Trudeau's** itinerary was unavailable.
- **Tom Mulcair** has no public events.
- **Elizabeth May** will be in Guelph, Ont.

INFLUENCE PEDDLING

Ruling delayed in trial of PM's former aide

A judge has reserved her decision in the case of Bruce Carson, a former top aide to the prime minister who is charged with influence peddling.

Ontario Superior Court Justice Bonnie Warkentin told the court she will announce Oct. 2 when she plans to release her ruling.

Crown prosecutor Jason Nicol said he expected the decision to be brought down anywhere from a few days after that procedural hearing to the beginning of November.

As his two-day hearing wrapped up Tuesday, Carson's lawyer said his client worked in 2010 and 2011 to help an Ottawa company sell water-treatment systems for First Nations communities.

"There's no question about that," Patrick McCann said.

But nothing in the Criminal Code prevented Carson from doing that, said McCann. He stressed that his client was lobbying First Nations communities, not the federal government, to purchase water-purification equipment from a firm known as H2O Pros and H2O Global, where his girlfriend at the time, a former escort, was employed.

> **It was entirely up to the aboriginal bands.**
> Patrick McCann

McCann also conceded that Carson clearly held sway with the Harper government. Carson was a senior adviser to the prime minister from the time the Conservatives first took office in 2006 until he left the post in 2008.

"There's no question that my client was motivated to help H2O and, by extension, his girlfriend," McCann told the judge. But that, McCann said, was irrelevant.

He pointed to a protocol for procurement of goods by First Nations, developed in 2009, which he said made clear that aboriginal communities exercise control over what they buy and how they buy. "It was entirely up to the aboriginal bands" to determine whether to buy water-purification systems and from whom to buy, he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hungary declares state of emergency

EUROPEAN CRISIS

Migrants detained as border with Serbia sealed

Declaring a state of emergency, Hungary sealed off its southern border with Serbia on Tuesday and detained those trying to enter illegally, aiming to shut down the flow of migrants pouring in. Chaos ensued at the border, as hundreds of migrants piled up in a no man's land, and Serbian officials reacted with outrage.

Stuck for an unknown amount of time on a strip of road between the two countries' checkpoints, those fleeing violence in their homelands pitched tents and settled in. But frustrations were on the rise. As a police helicopter hovered above, migrants chanted "Open the border!" and shouted insults at Hungarian riot police. Some refused food and water in protest.

With a razor-wire fence completed along the Serbian border, Foreign Minister Peter Szijjarto said Hungary now also plans to extend the fence for "a reasonable distance" along its border with Romania. Both Serbian and Romanian governments decried Hungary's moves.

"Raising a fence between two EU member states who are strategic partners is not a fair gesture from a political point of view, according to the European spirit," Romania's Foreign Ministry said.

Serbia's foreign minister declared it was "unacceptable" that migrants were being sent back from Hungary while more and more were arriving from Macedonia and Greece.

"(Serbia) wants to be part of the solution, not collateral damage. There will have to be talks in the coming days with Brussels and other countries," Ivica Dacic said in Prague.

The turmoil at the Hungarian-Serbian border came a day after the 28-nation bloc failed to come up with a united immigration policy at a contentious meeting in Brussels. The ministers did agree to share responsibility for 40,000 people seeking refuge in overwhelmed Italy and Greece and spoke hopefully of reaching an eventual deal — next month or by the end of the year — on which EU nations would take 120,000 more refugees, including some from Hungary.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Austria called Tuesday for a special European Union summit next week to discuss the continent's immigration crisis.

Hungary, however, was not pinning its hopes on any action soon from Brussels or its neighbours. Tuesday's state of emergency in two southern regions gave authorities greater powers to deal with the crisis, allowing them to shut down roads and speed up asylum court cases. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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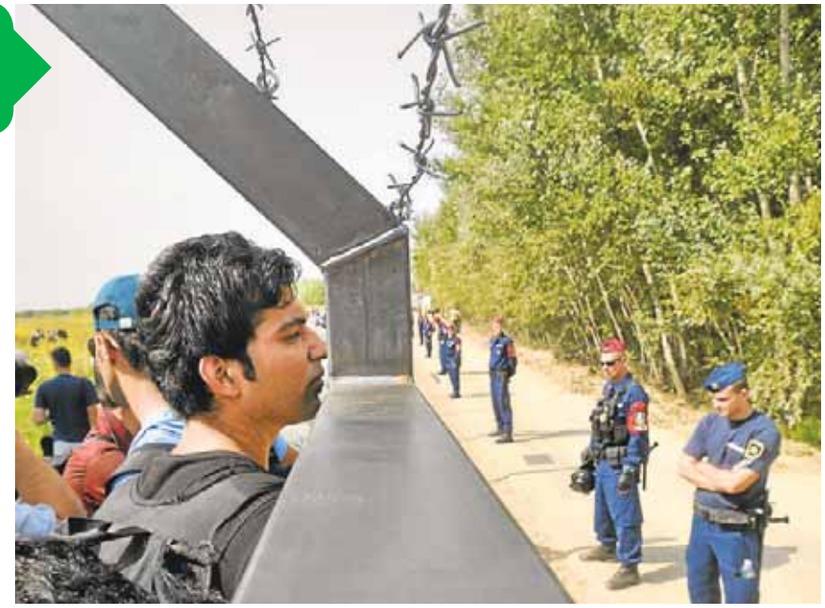
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People look through a border fence between Serbia and Hungary, Tuesday. Serbian and Romanian governments have decried Hungary's actions. ZOLTAN MATHE/MTI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EXODUS

Concerns raised over whether militants among border-crossers

When the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant lost control of a key crossroads town in northern Syria in June, some militants shed their jihadi garb and blended in with the flood of Syrians fleeing across the Turkish border.

Since then, the exodus of Syrians and Iraqis toward Europe has surged — and Europeans opposed to taking in more refugees say that more than ever, they fear "disguised terrorists" in their midst.

Governments along the route have different assessments of the threat. Two senior Iraqi officials and a Syrian activist say a small group of hardened ISIL extremists is believed to have left the war zones of Iraq and Syria to blend in with the masses of asylum seekers in recent weeks.

Intelligence officials in France and Germany expressed skepticism, saying they have no specific evidence. The Soufan Group, a security consulting firm, said Monday that some infiltration was probable but the extent of the danger was unknowable, making it "susceptible to exaggeration and exploitation."

The disarray of Europe's asylum procedures in the face of thousands of applications has heightened worries, although security experts say Europe is at far greater risk from homegrown ISIL sympathizers with valid European travel documents and the means to plan an attack.

Leaders of countries opposed to taking in the refugees routinely cite the fear as one of their primary reasons. The concerns are fanned by lines of exhausted refugees, bedraggled families walking northward along railroad tracks, and trains carrying refugees between countries with minimal or no identity checks, straining the system. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Torrid taps plus-size gap

CLOTHING

U.S. retailer eyeing Alberta and B.C. after Toronto foray

While some shoppers may struggle to locate garments in a specific style or colour, Ashlie Callender faces an even greater obstacle: finding clothes that will fit her curvy frame.

"Regular stores, they go up to extra-large sometimes, and that's really like a (size) 10 maybe. So if it's a stretchy material, I can get away with it," said the 24-year-old college student.

Callender joined dozens of shoppers who jammed Torrid's new location in Toronto Eaton Centre for the grand opening of its first store outside of the U.S.

Three more Torrid stores are set to open in the Toronto area this fall, joining homegrown plus-size retailers Addition Elle and Penningtons, both under the banner of Montreal-based Reitmans Canada Ltd.

The plus-size brand is already familiar to Canadians, who account for more than half of Torrid's international business online, said CEO Lisa Harper.



Lisa Harper is CEO of the American women's wear chain, which opened its first location outside the United States in Ontario earlier this month. COURTESY TORRID/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The retailer has more than 280 stores across the U.S. and ships to more than 150 countries. Torrid is a full-service apparel and accessories shop offering separates, denim, handbags and footwear.

> **You do have to pay a premium for clothes that are plus-sized.**
> Sandy Silva

Harper said the company expects to open about 10 stores in Canada in 2016, and has been eyeing British Columbia, Calgary and Edmonton as potential expansion sites.

Torrid is seeking to help fill a sizable void in Canadian retail for full-figured consumers.

A 2013 report from the NPD Group found that plus sizes represent 32 per cent of the "special size" clothing category, which also includes tall, petite and junior.

Two-thirds of plus-size women reported shopping for larger clothes was more stressful than shopping for traditional sizes, with limited merchandise cited among the main causes.

"Coming from the wholesale side of the fashion business, you do have to pay a premium for clothes that are either plus-sized or petite," said Sandy Silva, director of fashion and beauty at the NPD Group.

Most national retailers which offer extended sizing have a "fairly basic assortment," she noted.

"They don't really have the wealth or array of fun, fashionable, sexy styles that plus-size women want as well as a regular-size woman."

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IN BRIEF

Hewlett-Packard's spinoff to cut up to 30,000 jobs

Hewlett-Packard says its upcoming spinoff of its technology divisions focused on software, consulting and data analysis will eliminate up to 30,000 jobs. The cuts announced Tuesday will be within the newly formed Hewlett Packard Enterprise, which is splitting from the personal computer and printing operation. HP Enterprises is trimming its payroll as part of an effort to reduce its expenses by $2 billion US annually.

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Bloody bad news: In warmer weather, Arctic mosquitoes are emerging earlier, growing faster & surviving longer. A predicted 2C mercury rise may boost their numbers by 53%.

metro's election explainer

Who's the new man steering the Tory ship?

Strategist, political consultant, campaign adviser... whatever you call it, the Conservative Party has a new one: Lynton Crosby. He's a household name in political households. But what will he bring? And why did the party hire him so late in the game?

The wizard from Australia

In his home country, Crosby led the centre-right Liberal Party to victory in 1998 and 2001. His messaging targeted voters wary about the number of asylum seekers arriving on the country's shores. He's known as a master of "dog-whistle" politics: Using code words to win support from people with disreputable, but commonplace, views, such as anti-immigration sentiments tinged with racism. Later Crosby added wins for Conservative U.K. Prime Minister David Cameron and London, U.K. Mayor Boris Johnson to his CV.



The work ahead

Paid consultants are a relative rarity in Canadian politics, says University of Waterloo political science professor Anna Esselment. Party insiders tend to fill that role, she says, but outside expertise might be called if a campaign seems to be flagging. "I expect (Crosby) is giving a high-level assessment regarding Conservative messages, their target audiences, and how to effectively change the channel to matters that the Conservatives want to talk about," Esselment says.

Fresh blood

Why find a new captain when a campaign's already out to sea? Conservative sources told The Canadian Press that some in the party were frustrated with its slapdash response to the Syrian refugee crisis. Esselment gave three possible reasons for the hire: It could be a warning to opposition that Tories are about to get aggressive, a move to gain credibility from a "legend," or a response to internal strife. (Some former top brass, such as Nigel Wright, have been tarnished by the trial of Senator Mike Duffy).

Turning the tide

Whether changing course mid-campaign will work remains to be seen, Esselment says. "The type of messages Harper delivers, and the negative advertising ... over the next couple of weeks will likely tell us whether Crosby's hand is helping to steer the ship."

The election explainer is dedicated to keeping urban Canadians informed ahead of the Oct. 19 vote. Look for it in this space throughout the campaign. Let us know what needs explaining: readers@metronews.ca

URBAN ETIQUETTE: ELLEN VANSTONE



THE QUESTION

I'm in Toronto for the film festival. I'm hoping to meet some celebrities. Any advice for striking up a conversation?

Dear Ellen,

I'm from Calgary but I'm in Toronto for the Toronto International Film Festival, and I'm hoping to meet some celebrities while I'm here. Do you have any advice about how to meet celebrities, and how to politely strike up a conversation if I do meet a celebrity?

JJ

I well understand the urge to meet celebrities — I used to have it myself. Fifteen years ago, I would have sold my soul for just one hour of being stuck in an elevator with Owen Wilson, figuring that was all I'd need to start up a polite, witty, enchanting conversation that would soon make him realize I was the perfect woman for him — a *real* woman, wholesome and nice, and Canadian, but also creative and interesting, and a refreshing change from the boring, glamorous Hollywood starlets he was probably tired of meeting.

I also had platonic crushes on directors like David O. Russell and Jane Campion, and writers like Dave Eggers or Colm Toibin, where the fantasy was less about romance and more about how we'd mind-meld over scripts and collaborative projects that would lead to international prizes for all of us in between amazing, legendary parties.

But eventually my celebrity obsession was cured, thanks to intensive rehab that took a decade and consisted of interviewing celebrities of all ages and persuasions for various newspapers and magazines. Even though I met some truly nice (Stephen Colbert) and exquisitely polite (Conan O'Brien) celebs along the way, *not* want to meet any more: It's too disappointing. They never measure up to the brilliant characters one falls in love with onscreen. Nobody could. Those characters are a construct — of both their skillful making, and of one's own cockeyed projections.

In fact, I now go out of my way to avoid meeting even the celebrities I love, like Rachel McAdams and Mark Ruffalo.



In my fantasies, adorable Rach and I are best friends, while sexy, rumpled, intelligent, kind, manly Mark is my next husband. But in real life, recently, both of them were shooting a scene for the movie Spotlight in my building. And when the location manager invited me to meet them, I declined and stayed away until they cleared out. Partly because I didn't want to be disappointed by their all-too-real selves; partly because I knew the last thing they would want to do during a long day is make polite chitchat with a stranger harbouring delusional thoughts about them.

All of which leads me to say: Go for it if you must. Haunt the red carpets and clubs and restaurants, watch Twitter for celebrity sightings, and feel free to approach any star you can get close to.

Yes, it's a bit forward to foist yourself on someone without being introduced. But remember that part of every celebrity's job at TIFF is to deal with you, the public. And I have no doubt that you, JJ, as a faithful reader of this column, will be polite and respectful in all your encounters.

If and when you meet a star, you may or may not be disappointed. Who knows — you may get stuck in an elevator with him/her/them and end up getting married ... or whatever. In which case, please write back and let us know!

Need advice? Email Ellen
scene@metronews.ca

metroview

Millennials aren't turned off by politics. It's the voting system.



Dan Darrah
For Metro

Youth aren't politically apathetic, says a new study, they're just not voting. For many young Canadian activists, this finding is a breath of fresh air.

A Samara Research report, released last week, looked at 18 political activities other than voting — e.g., volunteering for candidates or causes, giving political speeches, protesting, and discussing politics on social media — and found that Canadians younger than 30 participate in them at a higher rate than those older than 30.

This isn't the usual narrative surrounding millennials. It's a welcome acknowledgement of the work of student groups and other youth movements.

Using the voting rate as a measure of youth engagement is like using season-ticket sales as a measure of interest in the NFL. There's a lot more to take into account.

Even among millennials who do vote, voting is often seen as one part of the overall activism package. Our votes serve to elect the government that will most optimally act as an avenue through which we can create change.

Still, the fact remains that we aren't voting as much as other age groups. One reason I've come up with is that we've simply lost faith in our first-past-the-post electoral system.

Let's imagine a prospective voter — call him Ben — who works at Whole Foods and cares deeply about the environment. Ben wants to vote for the Green party because he wants the Green candidate in his urban riding to be elected. But, because he's informed and engaged, he knows the Green candidate won't be elected. And the alternative — to vote "strategically" against his worst-case scenario — isn't likely to get him excited.

We might say to Ben what many say to millennials who have no reason to believe that their preferred candidates will be elected: "That's life, kid." But I'd argue we'd be better served by looking closely at how voting works.

Fair Vote, an organization advocating electoral reform, recorded that of the more than 14 million votes cast in the 2011 election, seven million served to elect no one (like Ben's hypothetical vote for the Greens). That means about 50 per cent of Canadian voters elected 100 per cent of the MPs.

In contrast, Fair Vote found that in New Zealand, which uses a proportional-representation system, 97 per cent of voters elected MPs.

In this context, Samara's research speaks for itself: It's not politics that turns us off — it's our winner-take-all electoral process. And saying youth are apathetic tiptoes around the fact that systemic change is needed. We don't need to be the scapegoats for institutional issues older generations have ignored. We need proof that our votes will be meaningfully represented. When that happens, the youth vote, will be a lethal electoral force.

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"Margaret Atwood poured a bottle of beer over Al Purdy's head the very first time they met because he called her an academic. I mean, never a truer word was said. And then he went out and peed on her car tire."
– Brian D. Johnson, journalist and filmmaker, Al Purdy Was Here

More than just bagels



Montreal's abundance of dining options makes trying them all on a short trip a daunting task. Here are a few one-stop spots where you can taste an array of culinary delights KATE HOBSON/FOR METRO

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First Fridays Food Truck Event 1





Every first Friday, May through October, up to 48 food trucks assemble at Olympic Park. Many of the trucks are offshoots of prominent restaurants, serving up specialties catered for takeout.

Stop at Lucky's Truck for La fameuse duck confit poutine, drenched in a rich confit sauce of red wine and foie gras; Grumman '78 for their banh-mi taco, barbecue pork topped with daikon carrot salad and a slightly sweet sauce.

Finish your day at Crémy Pâtisserie with a lemon honey crueller — the tartness of the lemon balances the sweet sugary glaze of this doughnut. **(4545 Avenue Pierre-de Coubertin)**

Mile End Food Tour 2



Local Montreal Tours offers a tasting trek around Mile End, a neighbourhood known for its culinary diversity. The tour starts at La Panthère Verte for a falafel filled with lightly pickled vegetables, sprouts, spices and tahini sauce in a house-made pita. At Chocolats Geneviève Grandbois, all of the goodies are handmade with a serious commitment to the quality of the ingredients. The caramel chocolate is flavoured with a little vanilla and a sprinkle of fleur de sel.The taste adventure includes bagels, fine tomato sauce, cured meats and artisanal ice cream. The Mile High tour is a truly unique food adventure packed with lots of history and background information on each establishment.

Atwater Market 3



No trip to Montreal would be complete without exploring one of the city's farmers' markets. Open since 1933, Atwater Market in the Little Burgundy area is one of the oldest. Open year round, Atwater is home to a variety of vendors offering fresh local produce, meat, cheese, baked goods and specialty products. Grab a selection of cheeses from Fromagerie Atwater, stop by Terrines & Pâtés for some game terrine like caribou blueberry or guinea fowl hazelnut. Pick up some fresh bread and preserves and you'll be all set to enjoy a picnic along the nearby Lachine Canal. **(138 Avenue Atwater)**

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TREND

Grandma's cooking now for hire in Paris



Parisians can now have a grandma or grandpa come to their home to cook them comfort food from their youth. YOUTUBE/AFP

Parisians homesick for their grandmother's inimitable ratatouille and Sunday roast chicken can now rent out a substitute stand-in through a recently launched personal chef service that will send a 'mamie' to their kitchen to whip up an old-fashioned home-cooked meal.

After moving to Paris from the south of France, founder Alizé Delbes says she found herself homesick for her grandmother's cooking.

And despite its reputation as the gastronomic capital of the world, Delbes said she was unable to find a restaurant that could evoke the memories and nostalgia of her mamie's veal blanquette and chocolate mousse. AFP

DRINKS

The controversial case of Campari

Peter Rockwell
For Metro Canada



Some liqueurs can be as polarizing as an Instagram post by Kim Kardashian.

Weird and wonderful flavour profiles are par for the course in the liqueur world, with many evolving from centuries-old recipes based on fruits, botanicals and exotic seasonings.

Italy's Campari ($23.99-$27.98) is a perfect example of a beverage that really needs more than one sip before you make up your mind if you like it or not.



Falling into the "bitters" family, Campari was invented in Milan back in 1860 from a secret blend of 60 herbs, spices and neutral spirit.

While its dark red colour looks tasty enough, Campari is a bitter punch to the palate if taken without mix, which is why it's an integral part of classic cocktails like the Negroni and Americano.

I enjoy it most with a simple splash of soda water which tempers the bitterness and, creates an appetite-enhancing mixer that's my go-to pre-dinner drink whether I'm eating Italian or not.

Prices reflect the range across the country. Some products may not be available in all provinces.



When in France, nosh like the locals

TRAVEL

Follow these tips for the tastiest trip

Theresa Albert
For Metro Canada



I spent my birthday in Paris!

For 15 years I have been promising my daughter I would take her to Paris. I spent the last five years saving for it, and three years planning. The city hasn't changed much since my first visit as a teen except that maybe there is more English spoken in the streets — and I have learned more about food.

In particular, I now know where and how to eat. Here are a few tips:

Take a bicycle tour from Bike About Tours (bikeabouttours.com) at the start of your trip. They will take you off the beaten path and at the end of the tour they will email you a list created by the guides (who all live in Paris) of favourite places to eat and drink. Unfortunately they make us swear to not share this list, so you'll have to go yourself to find the best places.

Try to avoid bistros that are on the corner or that say they serve "tout à l'heure" These tend to cater to tourists. The locals still eat between noon and 2 p.m. and 7 and 10 p.m.

Upon arrival order "une carafe d'eau pour la table." Not only will it save you up to 10 bucks for bottled water, it will signal to the server you are not a total touriste.

When you get your bread, it is to be eaten with your hands and placed on the tablecloth. Typically, there is no butter served but they will bring some if you ask.

If you are looking for the prix fixe Michelin star experience without the crazy expense, consider going for lunch. The menu is often similar but the price is half that of dinner. My actual birthday lunch was at l'Atelier Etoile de Joel Robuchon on Champs Élysées.

For 44 euros, I enjoyed four courses — a soup with a smoky clear broth consommé with oyster mushrooms and a plump shrimp and a small quenelle of caviar floating.

And for the main course, sweetbreads in a demi-glace, Chanterelle mushrooms and a side of mashed potatoes. I had cheese for dessert, but then was surprised by a raspberry bombe.



Theresa's raspberry bombe birthday cake from L'Atelier Etoile de Joel Robuchon. THERESA ALBERT/METRO



Theresa and her daughter enjoying the sights of Paris. THERESA ALBERT/METRO

ANNA JONES

'New Nigella' offers modern indulgence

She's worked for Jamie Oliver, been compared to Yotam Ottolenghi and been dubbed "the new Nigella" by the Sunday Times. Anna Jones is quickly becoming the modern vegetarian's go-to cookbook author.

Now she has released A Modern Way to Cook: Over 150 Quick, Smart and Flavour-Packed Recipes For Every Day.

"The more I cook simply — easy pastas, quick hearty salads and all-in-one gratins — the more I realize that food doesn't need to be posh, complicated or made from far-flung ingredients to do us good," she says.

Here's one of 150 recipes in this vegetable-focused book.



You can cheat and use soft tofu and the Chocolate + Earl Grey Pots will still be great. HANDOUT

Chocolate + Earl Grey Pots
(Makes 4 to 6)

- 100 mL boiling water
- 1 Earl Grey tea bag
- 300-g (10-oz) package silken tofu, drained
- 1 tsp pure vanilla extract
- 100 g dark chocolate, chopped + more for grating
- 5 Tbsp pure maple syrup
- Maldon or another flaky sea salt

In small measuring cup, pour boiling water over tea bag. Let steep as long as you can, at least 10 minutes, before discarding tea bag.

Wrap tofu in clean tea towel. Wring out as much moisture as you can. Place in food processor. Add steeped tea and vanilla. Process on high until smooth.

In medium stainless steel bowl set over pot with several inches gentling simmering water, combine 3.5 oz (100 g) chopped chocolate and maple syrup. Whisk until melted and smooth. Add to tofu mixture. Process on high until smooth.

Spoon pudding mixture into 4 to 6 small ramekins, pots, mugs or bowls. Refrigerate at least 1 hour to firm up a little.

To serve, garnish with coarsely grated chocolate (grated using cheese slicer, vegetable peeler or other grater) and flaky salt. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

"It's like world war three, right?"

Shia Laboeuf



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TIFF

Actor has thoughts about world, his co-stars

Actor Shia LaBeouf expressed a bleak outlook on the future at the Toronto International Film Festival.

At a press conference for the post-apocalyptic war thriller Man Down, LaBeouf was asked by a reporter for his thoughts on the future of our world.

"We're in a tough spot. The world is in a tough spot," he replied. "It's like world war three, right?

"You're in the middle of something really wild going on right now — more so than ever, in my life, I think."

The question was also posed to co-star Kate Mara, who simply replied: "I hope that the future of our world is not as pictured in this picture.

"Man, I don't know, I'm just an actor."

Man Down stars LaBeouf as a former marine named Gabriel who's dogged by memories of the battlefield as he searches for the whereabouts of his son.

Jai Courtney plays his best friend and fellow soldier alongside Mara as his wife and Gary Oldman as a military psychiatrist.

LaBeouf said, as an actor, Oldman "is very intimidating," and such a dynamic worked during their scenes together.

But off camera they bonded.

"He's like this father figure for me. It's more than just an actor. He's a really tender, sweet man — and that's not to naysay the hard Gary because there's a hard Gary, too," said the former Transformers star.

"But he's not hard with me. He's really sweet with me and always has been. So I look up to him, but he's not shy about throwing love around, you know. He's in my corner. It feels like that. It's not just some actor-actor relationship thing."

Dito Montiel directed the screenplay by Adam G. Simon, who said he was living on the streets when he first started writing the story.

"In fact, there's a letter that Gabriel writes to his son Jonathan in the film, was a letter that I wrote to my son in a parking garage where I slept, where I stayed the night.

"So I wrote that and a few other scripts and was just trying to hustle for about six to eight months."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

RUMOURS

Olsen denies dating Hiddleston

Ned Ehrbar
Metro | Toronto



All right, everybody, move along. Nothing to see here with this whole Elizabeth Olsen dating Tom Hiddleston thing.

They've been weathering speculation about just how close they are all summer, and the film in which they play husband and wife — I Saw the Light — just debuted at the Toronto International Film Festival, so they've been posing for a lot of photos.

But no less reliable a source than Olsen herself says that there is no hanky-panky going down.

"I mean, we definitely are friends and we've known each other for about four years. We happened to be at a restaurant at a wrong time having dinner. We all go out to dinner," she tells Refinery29.

"Well, apparently I'm dating Chris Evans and apparently I've dated Jeremy Renner ... I don't react to it."

And when asked very directly if she's dating Hiddleston?

"No," she offers flatly.

"I mean, people can think what they want to think." So that settles that, right?

That is, assuming we believe her.

DIGITAL

Kim wants to break the Internet

Look out, Internet, because there's a new celebrity website telling you how to live your best life on the scene.

"So proud to announce KimKardashianWest.com is now live! I've worked for over a year on creating so much original content for you guys!" Kim Kardashian West wrote in an Instagram post.

Upon arriving at the site, it's not immediately clear what the purpose of it is. One is immediately greeted by a smizing Kardashian in black and white, and a simple "K" logo. A menu offers options like Beauty, Style and Obsessed, because sure.

The app store's description of the Kim Kardashian West app provides a bit more clarity: "The Kim Kardashian West Official App gives Kim's audience unprecedented and exclusive personal access to her life. Through the app, Kim shares original and curated content, interactive experiences, live streaming, access to offline events, tutorials and much more."

At a special introductory subscription rate of $2.99 a month, West's website could be a bargain for fans — if it lives up to the promise of original content and "exclusive access to her life."

But then her whole career is exclusive access to her life, so who knows.

MATT LEE/METRO



GOSSIP BRIEFS

Wedding favours do no favours



Jerry Casale of '80s nerd-pop super-group Devo, got married Friday — you know, 9/11 — which led to unfortunate reception concept choices.

Casale explains to Billboard that he and his now-wife, Krista Napp, chose the date for logistical reasons, but when a friend questioned the choice, he joked that he and Napp represent "the Twin Towers of love." Which he admits was a pretty bad joke. But the friend took the idea and ran with it, setting up a reception featuring a Twin Towers-shaped cake and box cutters as party favours.

"He thought it was some sort of transgressive sick humour, and the problem is, it's not funny," says Casale, who came back from his weekend honeymoon to discover someone had sold photos of the event to TMZ. Yikes. NED EHRBAR/METRO

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Fiat's throwback is a thrill

ROAD TESTED



THE CHECKLIST | 2015 FIAT 500C ABARTH

THE BASICS

Type. Two-door, four-passenger subcompact convertible
Engine (hp/torque). 1.4-litre turbocharged four-cylinder (160/170 with manual; 160/183 with automatic)
Transmissions. 5-speed manual/6-speed automatic
Price. $29,495 (base); $33,550 (as-tested), plus destination

COOL FEATURES

- Alpine premium audio
- High-back sport seats with optional leather
- Aluminum pedals
- Flat-bottom steering wheel with perforated leather and contrasting stitching
- Rear parking assist
- Available side stripe and contrasting mirror caps
- Dual exhaust with chrome tips



JIL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

POINTS

- The Abarth uses the same engine as the 500 Turbo, but is tuned for more power, along with its Abarth-specific suspension and brakes.
- Hitting the "Sport" button adjusts the automatic's shift points and adds rev-matching, and also changes the digital speedometer's number to italics.
- The sport exhaust adds a unique sound that's fabulous on acceleration, but it can drone at consistent speeds.
- Premium fuel gives better performance, but the engine will run on regular.

MARKET POSITION

While enthusiasts prefer stick shifts, most buyers choose automatics. By offering both, Fiat could potentially open up this relatively low-volume model to a larger audience, especially since overall performance doesn't suffer.

THE COMPETITION



Mini Cooper S
Base price: $25,490



Volkswagen Golf GTI
Base price: $27,995



Ford Fiesta ST
Base price: $24,949

REVIEW

500 Abarth offers 6-speed automatic for the first time

Jil McIntosh
For Metro Canada



Retro-styled cars are fun, and it's even better when they have the performance to match. That's the case when you opt for the Abarth version of Fiat's 500, especially when it's the 500C Cabrio that I tested, which gives you a sliding canvas roof for an almost-a-convertible experience.

While the Abarth previously only came with a five-speed manual transmission, the 2015 version is also available for the first time with a six-speed automatic. Die-hard stick-shift fans may resent its inclusion, but it's a really nice unit that doesn't take anything away from the car's fun factor. Power changes slightly depending on the transmission: you get a bit more horsepower with the manual unit, but more torque — the twisting force that gets you moving off the line — with the automatic. Hit the throttle, and the 500 Abarth is quick and peppy in its response.

> **Hit the throttle, and the 500 Abarth is quick and peppy in its response.**

The steering is sports-car heavy, but the car responds quickly and accurately. My car had optional gloss-white wheels with Pirelli P-Zero summer tires, and they stick like glue when cornering. Despite its diminutive size, the car feels firmly planted on the highway, although a tighter turning circle would make it a bit easier to manoeuvre in close quarters.

The retro styling continues inside with a metal-look painted dash and chrome accents. It's very roomy up front, but while there is a rear seat, there's almost no legroom back there, and it's best for small children or adults willing to fold themselves up for a short ride.

The sliding roof moves electrically to three positions, starting with a sunroof-sized opening and finally folded down at the very back. A portion of the steel roof remains in place, since the canvas is a panel that slides inside it, and the car feels tight and rigid, with no squeaks. It also didn't leak when I took it through a car wash.

The 500C Abarth is pricey for its size, but compared to the base Fiat, you're paying for a sportier suspension, bigger brakes, and sharp handling. It looks like it's fun, and it is.

AUTOPILOT

Staying in the loop — the loop: Dispatches from Frankfurt

Mike Goetz
For Metro Canada



Off-roading Bentley

Bentley just introduced its first SUV this week at the Frankfurt auto show, and not a moment too soon.

Like a lot of people, I have been lamenting for years on why someone didn't offer a vehicle costing more than $200,000 that could get up a dirt hill. Why did it always have to be so affordable to have a little bit of off-road fun?

The auto industry put a group of very privileged people in a very tough spot with their behaviour over the years. Think of how challenged were those buyers, trying to option their Range Rovers or Mercedes-Benz G Wagons into a price level more akin to their perceived net worth.

So thank you Bentley, for recognizing the injustice here, and coming to the rescue of this long-suffering group of buyers, by unveiling this ultra high-end sport utility, which for some reason you're calling Bentayga (rolls off the tongue, like bad caviar).

For those interested, some pertinent info … 600-hp, 12-cylinder engine. All-wheel drive. Very sumptuous five-seat cabin. Volkswagen owns Bentley; the Bentayga is built off of the group's MLV Evo platform currently utilized for Audi Q7 and Porsche Cayenne. Bentayga's main rival should be the forthcoming SUV from Rolls-Royce.

Loopy Jaguar

Jaguar also introduced its first SUV at Frankfurt, and did so in super dramatic fashion. British stunt driver Terry Grant drove a Jaguar F-Pace in a 19.08-metre loop, similar to a Hot Wheels loop, only much bigger. The stunt set a Guinness World Record for largest ever "loop the loop."

Jaguar F-Pace will be considerably more affordable than the Bentley Bentayga. No Canadian prices yet, but $43,385 US will be its base price south of the border. F-Pace is rendered from the same all-aluminum architecture as the new Jaguar XE midsize sedan, which should get here before the F-Pace.

Magic carpet Honda

Any auto show these days is sure to be filled with more self-driving technologies and Frankfurt will not be an exception, so you know Honda was saying something by creating the Project 2&4 concept and showing it off in Germany at this juncture in the automotive history timeline.

Project 2&4 is a weird and wonderful antidote to the self-driving movement.

It's actually half car/half motorcycle, designed to combine the most engaging driving elements of both forms. It has no "cabin" at all, just a driver's cockpit suspended over the road, to grab as much driving intensity as possible. The mid-ship mounted 215-hp V4 motorcycle engine assures a low, low centre of gravity and an outrageous power-to-weight ratio.

Project 2&4 is actually the winning entry of Honda's annual in-house Global Design Project contest, which is designed to inspire creativity, and get team members engaged and passionate about a single project, to further the concept of Team Honda. Well done, Team Honda.

3 MAJOR THEMES AT THE FRANKFURT AUTO SHOW

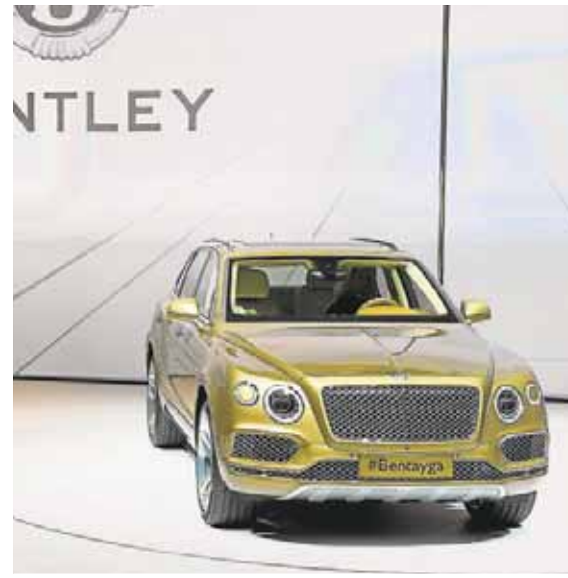
A rise in demand for cars in the U.S. and Europe is lifting automakers' spirits as they prepare to open the Frankfurt International Motor Show to the general public on Saturday. The 66th edition runs through Sept. 27. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Apple's CarPlay. APPLE INC.

1 New tech

Carmakers are preparing to fend off tech companies like Google and Apple from dominating the market for services to Internet-connected cars. Those new businesses could include real-time navigation that automatically plots routes around slippery conditions, or it could be a parking place finder. The question is who will build the systems and reap the profits — and how? Analysts say carmakers may have to band together to come up with common platforms and shared systems.



The new Bentley Bentayga. JENS MEYER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2 Riding high

Luxury SUVs are a thing this year. High-priced brands are looking to expand their model range and find ways to tap the lucrative end of the market. Bentley, the luxury brand owned by Volkswagen, has its Bentayga, which combines stylish touches such as the classic large Bentley front grille and a choice of 15 interior leather colours with off-road features such as a front skid plate and aluminum roof rails. The company is touting not just luxury but power and speed; the vehicle has 608 horsepower and a top speed of 301 km/h. Jaguar has the F-Pace, which uses chassis underpinnings from its sports cars that are aimed at providing sharper handling for the company's first entry into the SUV race.



GM's Opel Astra. OPEL/GM VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

3 The rest of us

Mass-market carmakers face brutal competition in the market for more basic transportation. Renault is showing off the fourth generation of its Megane with a slightly wider stance and shorter overhangs to give it a sportier look, and offers a GT performance version immediately at sales launch. GM's redesigned Opel Astra should be sprightlier after losing up to 200 kilograms in weight compared to its predecessor. Its entertainment system supports both the Android Auto and Apple CarPlay standards, enabling drivers to use their smartphone messaging and navigation functions through the car's dashboard display.



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Aston Martin has released a video of the bespoke, one-off supercar created for the latest James Bond film being put through its paces by stunt driver Mark Higgins.

The latest Aston, the seventh car from the company to appear on screen alongside the world's most famous fictional British spy since the film series began, is the first James Bond Aston Martin that's truly bespoke — even before Q's upgrades.

Although 10 examples have been made to cope with the rigours of filming Spectre, the company, as yet, has no intention of selling any of them to the general public. All of which means the video is the closest any of us are going to get to knowing what it's like to drive it.

Spectre, the 24th official James Bond film, will hit cinemas in the U.K. on Oct. 26 and receive its global release in November.

Watch the video at youtu.be/oSJ8ryVlM8A.

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U.S. MARKET

Major carmakers pledge auto-braking

Major global carmakers pledged Friday to install auto-braking technology as a standard feature for vehicles sold in the U.S. market, government and safety officials announced.

The technology, which is already an option on some cars, uses on-vehicle sensors to detect a possible collision and applies brakes if the driver fails to respond to warning sounds.

Because human error and driver distraction are key factors in many road accidents, the auto emergency braking (AEB) technology is expected to substantially reduce rear-end collisions and other accidents.

"We are entering a new era of vehicle safety, focused on preventing crashes from ever occurring, rather than just protecting occupants when crashes happen," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx, making the announcement at an event hosted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

"But if technologies such as automatic emergency braking are only available as options or on the most expensive models, too few Americans will see the benefits of this new era."

Ten automakers, whose cars account for more than half the U.S. market, agreed to make the auto-braking technology a standard feature: Audi, BMW, Ford, General Motors, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Tesla, Toyota, Volkswagen and Volvo.

"The evidence is mounting that AEB is making a difference," said insurance institute president Adrian Lund.

"Most crashes involve driver error. This technology can compensate for the mistakes every driver makes because the systems are always on alert, monitoring the road ahead and never getting tired or distracted."

Lund said several studies including one from the institute shows the auto-braking technology can reduce insurance injury claims by as much as 35 per cent.

The announcement did not include a specific timetable for deployment of the new systems. Transportation officials said they would be urging the other carmakers to join the pledge to make the technology standard as soon as possible. AFP



AEB technology is expected to reduce rear-end collisions and other accidents. ISTOCK

TOYOTA RETAINS LEAD

Record production, sales in world car market

The global production of vehicles increased by 2.7 per cent to 89.9 million units in 2014, a new record, according to data from the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers.

Over this period, Toyota remained the manufacturer that produced the most cars.

As well, more new cars were sold in 2014 than in any other year (a little over 65 million).

Here is the Top 10 biggest international car manufacturers (in millions of cars produced in 2014):

1. Toyota: 10.4750
2. Volkswagen: 10.093
3. GM: 9.609
4. Hyundai: 8.009
5. Ford: 5.970
6. Nissan: 5.098
7. Fiat: 4.866
8. Honda: 4.514
9. Suzuki: 3.017
10. PSA: 2.917
11. Renault: 2.762 AFP



Marshawn Lynch's mom called for Seattle to fire offensive co-ordinator Darrell Bevell on Facebook

Blind lineman's first practice at USC a snap

FOOTBALL

Centre lost his sight at 12; on scholarship at university

Jake Olson completely lost his vision six years ago. He still has his sights set on playing football at Southern California.

The blind long-snapper is one step closer to the Coliseum after practising with the Trojans on Tuesday.

Olson impressed his teammates during his first official practice at USC, where the freshman is on a special scholarship for physically challenged athletes. Eligibility issues had kept him out of uniform this fall until he joined the sixth-ranked Trojans for a rainy morning workout.

"I'm proud of the work that he put in," USC coach Steve Sarkisian said. "It's a real credit to a lot of people to get this done."

Wearing a No. 17 yellow non-contact jersey, Olson spent the morning working with the Trojans' special-teamers, including starting long-snapper Zach Smith. Although Olson wasn't made available to the media, he expressed his excitement to USC's official website.

"It was a surreal feeling," Olson told the website. "I'm excited to help this team in any way I can and be a great teammate. I love this team and I always have, and now it feels great to be a part of it."

Olson was the long-snapper on field goal attempts for his high school team in Orange, Calif. He gets help from teammates to line up properly, putting his hand on the shoulder of the player next to him as they walk to the line, but takes care of the rest himself.

> **He doesn't really want to be treated any differently, and that's what I appreciate about Jake.**
> USC coach Steve Sarkisian

"He just said it was awesome to wear the Trojan helmet," said Reid Budrovich, a USC punter who played against Olson in high school. "They were great snaps today. He is definitely not out of shape right now. He is right in his prime.... I think it's really inspirational for the team, just seeing him out here. It's lifting spirits and bringing us together."

Olson is a lifelong Trojans fan who has been around the program since Pete Carroll was the coach in 2009, the same year Olson completely lost his sight.



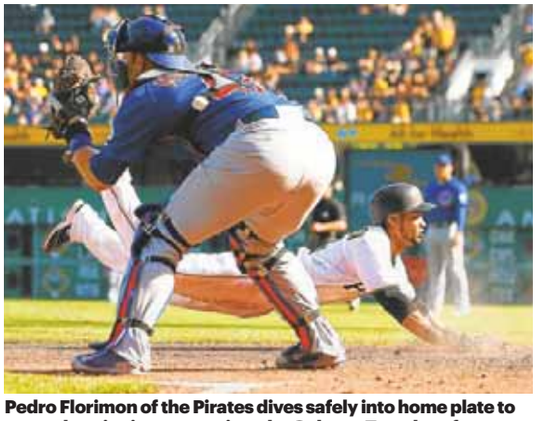
Jake Olson, right, lost his left eye to a form of retinal cancer at 10 months old. His right eye was removed when he was 12. JOHN MCGILLEN/USCTROJANS.COM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

He lost his left eye to a rare form of retinal cancer at 10 months old. His right eye was removed when he was 12 years old after numerous attempts to save it. He asked to watch the Trojans' practice on the night before his surgery.

"He doesn't use an excuse," quarterback Cody Kessler said. "He doesn't say anything. He doesn't use it as a crutch or anything. We don't see that at all. We don't think anything different about him. He's the same as all of us. He puts his pads on the same way. He works out the same way. He comes out here and practises just as hard as anyone else. It's just an awesome feeling."

Sarkisian has repeatedly said he expects Olson to snap in a game for the Trojans one day, although it isn't imminent. The freshman is simply grateful to keep learning and supporting his teammates until he gets a shot.

Olson made a post on his Twitter account later Tuesday: "First practice was so much fun! Love this team! Thanks to everyone!" THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Pedro Florimon of the Pirates dives safely into home plate to score the winning run against the Cubs on Tuesday afternoon in Pittsburgh. JARED WICKERHAM/GETTY IMAGES

MLB

Big game, Cubs don't faze Bucs

Clint Hurdle insists the Pittsburgh Pirates don't hype up for big games. The manager has preached a steady approach from the moment he took over nearly five years ago. April or September, it doesn't matter.

"It's not like we have a big-series button when it's shared with us that it's a big series," Hurdle said.

Maybe, but his streaking team certainly seems to play like it.

Pedro Florimon scored on Starling Marte's sacrifice fly in the eighth inning, and the Pirates beat the Chicago Cubs 5-4 in the first game of a day-night doubleheader Tuesday to inch closer to first-place St. Louis in the NL Central.

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Mark Melancon worked a perfect ninth for his major league-leading 46th save.

Tied 4-4, Florimon entered as a pinch runner after Pedro Alvarez worked a leadoff walk against Justin Grimm (3-5). Florimon stole second and sprinted to third when the throw from catcher Jesus Montero rolled into centre field.

Marte, playing for the first time since injuring his shoulder last Thursday, hit a sharp liner to left. Florimon flew Superman-style across home plate to easily beat Austin Jackson's throw as the Pirates momentarily moved five games ahead of the Cubs for the top NL wild-card spot and within two of the Cardinals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Mooseheads rookie sidelined for two weeks

Days before the Halifax Mooseheads hit the ice for their season home opener Friday night, one of the Herd's newest forwards has been sidelined.

In a news release issued Tuesday, the team said rookie forward Joel Bishop will be off for at least two weeks due to a meniscectomy to his left knee.

The 16-year-old native from St. John's N.L., has yet to play a regular season game with the Halifax as he was recently drafted to the team in the sixth round of this year's QMJHL draft pick.

Fans can see the team face off against the Bathurst Titan at the newly renovated Scotiabank Centre on Friday at 7 p.m. METRO

Gagne's playing days over

Simon Gagne announced his retirement Tuesday after playing 14 NHL seasons, winning the Stanley Cup with the Los Angeles Kings and capturing a gold medal with Canada at the 2002 Olympics.

Gagne, whose time in the league was plagued by injuries, still put up 291 goals and 310 assists in 822 career regular-season games for the Philadelphia Flyers, Kings, Tampa Bay Lightning and Boston Bruins.

The left-winger was a major contributor to the Flyers' run to the 2010 Cup final, scoring two game-winning goals as Philadelphia erased a 3-0 series deficit to beat the Bruins. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Adidas replaces Reebok as NHL's jersey supplier

Adidas will take over production of NHL uniforms beginning in the 2017-'18 season, and it's unclear just how many changes will come as a result.

The NHL announced a seven-year deal with Adidas to be its on-ice uniform supplier and also to serve as outfitter for next year's World Cup of Hockey. Commissioner Gary Bettman shot down speculation about the announcement opening the door for advertisements on jerseys and said he didn't think they would go through a major redesign. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Bombers trade draft pick for rights to Ticats QB Boyd

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers acquired the negotiation list rights to quarterback Tajh Boyd from the Hamilton Tiger-Cats on Tuesday in exchange for a conditional pick in the 2017 CFL Draft.

The six-foot 225-pound pivot spent four seasons at Clemson and led the Tigers to an Orange Bowl victory in his senior year. He has been added to the Blue Bombers' practice roster. Boyd was selected in the sixth round of the 2014 NFL draft by the New York Jets. He signed with the Pittsburgh Steelers last March but was released last month.

Boyd was the ACC player of the year in 2012 and was named MVP of the Chick-fil-A Bowl that season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

LAFC will be name of Los Angeles' second MLS team

Major League Soccer's expansion club in Los Angeles finally has an official name: the Los Angeles Football Club, or LAFC.

LAFC has been the informal name of the team since its owners were admitted to the league nearly a year ago. The club finally made it official Tuesday on Twitter, saying its supporters demanded the name.

LAFC is owned by Malaysian billionaire Vincent Tan, American venture capitalist Henry Nguyen and a celebrity-studded list of minority investors including Magic Johnson, Peter Guber, Tony Robbins, Mia Hamm and Nomar Garciaparra.

LAFC joins MLS in 2018, a year later than originally planned. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kosovo applying for UEFA membership this week

Kosovo can move closer to joining UEFA this week with a place in 2018 World Cup qualifying at stake.

Membership of Europe's football body is needed before joining FIFA, and is part of Kosovo's push for international recognition since declaring independence from Serbia in 2008.

UEFA's executive committee can rule the Balkan republic eligible to apply when it meets on Thursday in Malta. UEFA general secretary Gianni Infantino says "it is on the agenda to look at Kosovo's application." Kosovo can get full membership at UEFA's annual congress next March in Budapest, Hungary.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

United's horrid Euro return

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

PSV's Moreno scores after breaking Luke Shaw's leg

Manchester United squandered a lead to lose 2-1 at PSV Eindhoven and had left back Luke Shaw carried off with a broken right leg on an unhappy return to the Champions League on Tuesday.

Shaw required oxygen while he was taken off on a stretcher after being hurt by a two-footed tackle from Hector Moreno tackle in PSV's area in the 15th minute. Images showed Shaw's right foot was bent at a 45-degree angle and United said after the match that Shaw "suffered a double fracture of the leg."

"It is awful," United manager Louis van Gaal said. "When he came into the dressing room, he had an oxygen mask and was crying."

Memphis Depay, signed from PSV this summer, gave United the lead in the 41st minute of the Group B match by dribbling between two defenders and shooting through the goalkeeper's legs.

Moreno equalized in the lengthy period of first-half stoppage time — caused by his challenge on Shaw — with a header that deflected in off United defender Daley Blind. Luciano Narsingh's 57th-minute goal secured victory for the Dutch champions, who were the top seeds in the group but arguably the weakest team out of United, Wolfsburg and CSKA Moscow.



Hector Moreno of PSV Eindhoven scores their equalizer during the Group B match against Manchester United at PSV Stadion in the Netherlands. Moreno earlier broke Luke Shaw's leg with a two-footed tackle. DEAN MOUHTAROPOULOS/GETTY IMAGES

TUESDAY In Eindhoven

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For United, the disappointing result of its first Champions League match in 17 months will be overshadowed by the injury to Shaw, whose displays this season demonstrated why the club made him one of the world's most expensive teenagers by signing the then-18-year-old in the summer of 2014 for $46 million.

> **When I say it's a penalty and a red card, I'm a bad loser. It was a bad tackle with two legs.**
> Manchester United manager Louis Van Gaal on Hector Moreno's tackle on Luke Shaw

"Defeat hurts," United goalkeeper David de Gea said, "but Luke Shaw's injury hurts even more."

Shaw was running into the PSV penalty area when he was felled by a challenge from Moreno. He was clearly in pain as he fell to the ground and there was a delay of about eight minutes as medical staff attended to him on the pitch.

Not even a foul was awarded and United would have felt a sense of injustice when Moreno rose in the second minute of stoppage time to head in a ball that flicked off Blind and into the net.

"When I say it's a penalty and a red card, I'm a bad loser," Van Gaal said of Moreno's tackle on Shaw. "It was a bad tackle with two legs."

A brilliant piece of skill from Depay earned United the lead. The Dutch winger cut inside from the left, weaved between two tacklers and finished low with his left foot.

Depay has been saving his best displays for United for the Champions League, scoring twice against Bruges in the qualifying playoff. Shaw was replaced by Marcos Rojo and the Argentina international's slack defending led to PSV's winner. A floated cross from the left by Maxime Lestienne went over the head of Rojo and was met by Narsinghe, who nodded in.

Juan Mata wasted United's best chance at an equalizer, miscontrolling with the goal gaping after being found by Bastian Schweinsteiger.

"We can only blame ourselves because we have created so many chances," Van Gaal said. "You have to be effective and PSV were very effective because they scored out of nothing. A deviated ball from a corner kick and another finish after a passing error in the first phase." Wolfsburg beat CSKA Moscow 1-0 in the other Group B match. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OTHER RESULTS

Group A
Paris St G 2-0 Malmö FF
Real Madrid 4-0 Shakt Donsk

Group B
VfL Wolfsburg 1-0 CSKA

Group C
Benfica 2-0 FC Astana
Galatasaray 0-2 Atl Madrid

Group D
Man City 1-2 Juventus
Sevilla 3-0 Borussia Mönchengladbach

RUGBY

Five to watch at this year's World Cup in Britain



Kieran Read, New Zealand



Israel Folau, Australia



Jacques Burger, Namibia



Courtney Lawes, England



Referee Nigel Owens

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Kieran Read, New Zealand
The six-foot-four, 245-pound No. 8 was named World Rugby Player of the Year in 2013. Big and mobile, Read has no problem being in the thick of things.

But he can also often be found near the sideline, adding another link to the New Zealand backline where his ability to offload in the tackle adds to an already potent attack. The 29-year-old has 90 points and 78 caps for New Zealand.

Israel Folau, Australia
Just 26, Folau came to rugby union late after careers in rugby league and Australian Rules Football. After two seasons in the Australian Football League, he signed with Super Rugby's Waratahs in December 2012 and made his Wallabies debut in 2013. A silky-smooth runner, the six-foot-four 227-pound back is excellent under the high ball.

Jacques Burger, Namibia
Playing in his third World Cup, the 32-year-old Saracens flanker and Namibia captain is a hard man known for his ferocious hits on the field. The six-foot-two, 234-pounder pays for his style of play, sacrificing his body for the cause. Burger's nose hasn't been straight for a while but he can be a one-man wrecking crew.

Courtney Lawes, England
Another huge hitter, the six-foot-seven, 260-pound Northampton Saints lock has left a trail of bodies in his wake. Tall and athletic, the 26-year-old Lawes has the speed to line up opponents and the power to cut right through them.

Referee Nigel Owens
The 44-year-old was the most experienced with 60 tests when World Rugby announced its referee panel for the tournament. The openly gay Welshman is also considered to be one of the world's best officials. Viewers will be able to hear Owens and other referees during the tournament, as they are wearing microphones. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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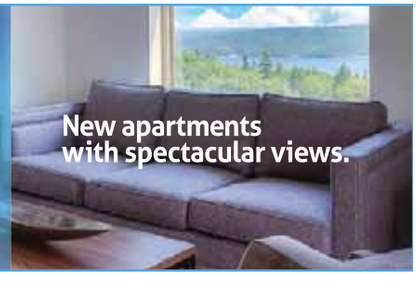
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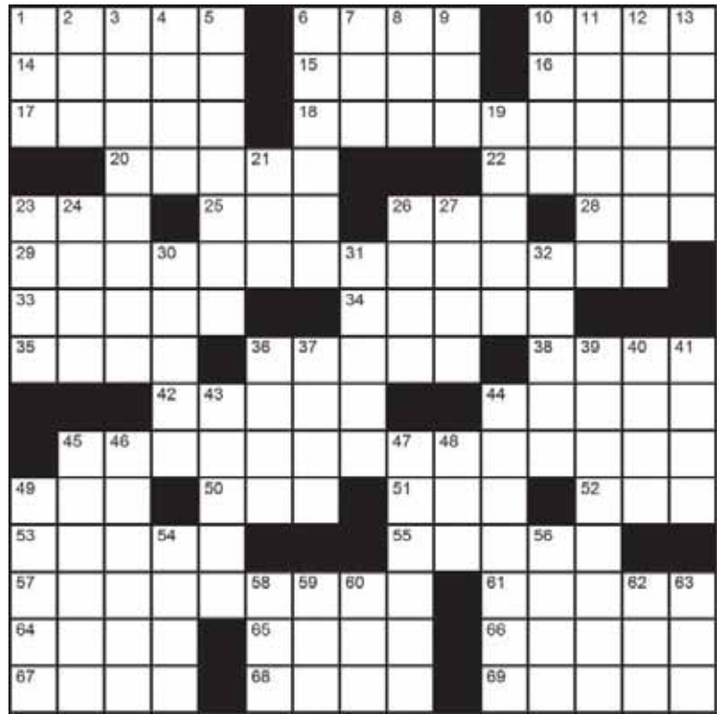
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1. Sauce: Combine sugar, vinegar, soy sauce, ginger, garlic and sesame oil. Set aside.
2. Dust chicken with cornstarch. In a large skillet, add oil and sauté chicken just until cooked through to about 160 F for about 10 minutes. Cut into one-inch pieces.
3. Wipe out skillet, spray with vegetable oil and sauté snap peas just until bright green and still crisp about two minutes. Add dressing and chicken and stir fry just until sauce slightly thickens. Place in serving dish and garnish with sesame seeds.

Nutrition per serving
- Calories 320
- Protein 32 g
- Carbohydrates 27 g
- Fibre 4 g
- Total fat 9 g
- Saturated fat 2 g
- Cholesterol 115 mg
- Sodium 570 mg

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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



ACROSS
1. The real deal
6. Macklemore & __ Lewis
10. Marianas island
14. Sidestep
15. Roof's overhang
16. Formerly
17. R.U.R. playwright Mr. Capek
18. Star Wars furry fellow
20. Major airline in The States
22. Embellish
23. Chill
25. 'Garlic' in Gaspe
26. Fall from grace
28. Away
29. Romantic setting for two in a quaint restaurant: 2 wds.
33. Bay window
34. __ prosequi (Not proceeding, in law)
35. Sort of tide
36. Transferred image, such as a non-permanent tattoo
38. Alphabet sequence
42. City of canals in Japan
44. Three member groups
45. After supper chore: 2 wds.
49. Jack, to Ozzy
50. Previous
51. Nonverbally agree
52. Names like Larry's character on "Dallas"
53. Industrial city in Germany
55. Sporty clothing fabric
57. To that matter, archaically
61. Oars-wielding one
64. The Yukon, e.g.
65. Dracula's one-of-two
66. Arm bones
67. Bits of food
68. Aware/privy: 2 wds.
69. Orange flavourings

DOWN
1. Currency in Albania
2. Little __ ('60s songstress)
3. Evergreen shrub with large white blossoms
4. Notion, in Montreal
5. __-__ book (Revealing celebrity read)
6. Remember
7. Derisive shout!
8. Portage in Winnipeg, e.g.
9. Hot off the press
10. Prod
11. Not hip
12. Grow, as bank interest
13. Intended
19. Commonplace
21. Affiliation
23. Desktop symbol
24. Attention
26. Ancient portico
27. "__ cost you!"
30. Terminus
31. Machu Picchu inhabitant
32. Oft-quoted baseball legend Yogi
36. Willy Wonka's creator Roald
37. Laboriously got by
39. Nickname for Newfoundland's capital that has a unique spelling: 2 wds.
40. Roadie's gig
41. Mail org. in The States
43. Elegant biscuit
44. 2016 U.S. Presidential candidate born in Canada in 1970: 2 wds.
45. __ salt (Seasoning sort)
46. Shopping sales magazine added to a newspaper
47. Iconic train symbol created by Toronto-born graphic designer Allan Fleming (b.1929 - d.1977): acr. + wd.
48. Moviedom's Myrna
49. Brief but heated squabble
54. Goes astray
56. Character's function
58. Spaceship sort, shortly
59. Grandma
60. Mtn. blaster
62. Dine
63. Web feed syst. for updates

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Your ideas may be amazing but unless you find practical ways of applying them to your everyday affairs they won't do you much good. All you need is one simple idea that can be consistently applied — then you'll find fame and fortune.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Something you begin over the next few days could change your life in remarkable ways, so stop dithering and start living the dream.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Not everything will go the way you want but things that work out right will far outnumber those that don't. A dispute can now easily be resolved — if you are willing to say sorry first.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Because recent months have been hectic for you there were a number of things you wanted to do but never quite got round to. Now you can begin to move in a more agreeable direction. Focus only on what brings a smile to your face.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
The successes and triumphs of late could still easily be reversed, so don't start thinking you no longer need to make an effort. Don't slow down just before the final chapter.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Before the Sun leaves your sign on the 23rd there will be one or two more surprises. Make the most of your opportunities.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Get your head around what you need to change to make your life more complete. Be practical — don't let idle daydreams lead you astray.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Are you delighted with what you have achieved? Or are you saddened because you wasted so many opportunities? Either way, do not get worked up about it. You will always get another chance.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
The way you react to problems is important today. If you criticize others too harshly then you must expect to make yourself unpopular — and most likely make matters worse. Strive to see the good in everyone.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Open your eyes to new possibilities. Too often in the past you have been content to let life come to you, but now you must push yourself forward at every opportunity. Success comes to those who dare.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Over the next few days you should take any and every opportunity to rest, recuperate and recharge. When the Sun changes signs on the 23rd it will be all go again so save yourself for then.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Your brain will be buzzing with big ideas. But are they practical ideas? For best results you should limit yourself to one or two objectives.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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